

MILLIONS IN BELGIUM FACE GREAT SUFFERING

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URGENT APPEAL IS ISSUED

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Areas Either Wholly or Partially
Destitute—Commission Asks for
New Clothing.

NEW YORK, November 27.—Over
3,000,000 persons in Belgium and North-
ern France, mostly women and young
children, must be clothed and shod by
Christmas. If the garments and shoes
for these destitute people are not
forthcoming at once, their sufferings
during the winter will become desper-
ate.

Such is the note of an urgent appeal
issued to the people of the United
States by the Commission for Relief
in Belgium. The New York committee
have received from Mr. Herbert Hoover,
chairman of the commission, the fol-
lowing statement:

"It appears to me that it is neces-
sary for us to go frankly to the Amer-
ican people and ask them to clothe the
destitute in the occupied areas of Bel-
gium and Northern France during the
coming winter.

"There are 3,000,000 people in these
areas and of these over one-third are
now either wholly or partially destitute
and are to-day receiving their food
either wholly or partially without
payment.

"As you know we have set up eco-
nomic measures based on the ability
of a portion of the population to pay
for its food which, with the contribu-
tions of other countries, enables us for
the present to find the bare minimum
of food supplies for the whole 3,000,000
people, but we have no reserves with
which to provide clothing for the destitute.
We now plead for help on their behalf.

"Even if these 3,000,000 people had
money they could not import clothes,
or the raw materials with which to
manufacture them, through the block-
ade into an area under military occupa-
tion. While the better classes have
some clothing with which they can get
along, the destitute are composed of
the working classes which naturally
had little reserves of clothing when the
war broke out. The only additions
they have received since then have
been the generous contributions from
America, Canada and elsewhere. By
Christmas time all the clothing which
we have in our various establishments
will be exhausted.

EXPOSURE WILL GREATLY INCREASE MORTALITY

"It is a certainty that the undue ex-
posure of under-clothed men, women
and children to the bitter winter will
greatly increase mortality. The cloth-
ing for these people can be provided
only if we receive gift supplies for the
purpose. We must depend upon the
American people.

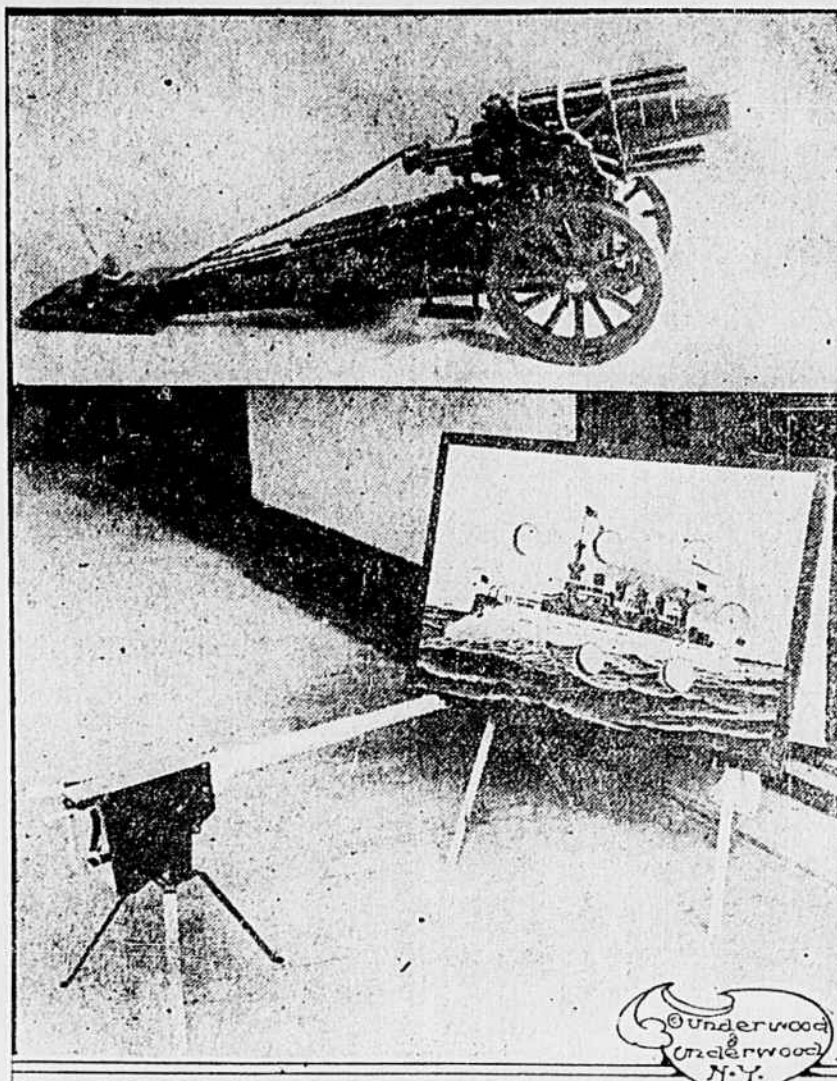
"We have arranged that the cost of
transportation of clothes from any cen-
tral point in the United States to Bel-
gium and Northern France and of the
distribution will be paid for out of
funds which have been especially pro-
vided so that the whole American con-
tributions will reach the destitute
without 1 cent of deduction.

"In the matter of the character of
clothing for these people, we are sur-
rounded with a multitude of difficulties.
In the first instance the drastic sanitary
arrangements made by the govern-
ments through whose territory we must
pass make the introduction of second-
hand clothing, especially in the areas
of the operating armies, where the
want will be greatest, practically im-
possible.

"We, therefore, must ask frankly for
new clothing and more particularly for
unmade material. Not that the destitute
in Belgium and Northern France are
not intensely grateful for second-
hand clothing, but as a matter of nec-
essity, we are forced to ask only for
unmade stuffs.

"It must be borne in mind that those
for whom we appeal are living under
almost total industrial paralysis; that
many millions of them are idle, and
that the cry we have from them daily
is: 'Give us something to do, give us
something to work on, so that we may
contribute to our support.' There-
fore, if we can provide them with ma-

Formidable War Weapons of Santa Claus



Even the Christmas toys for the little boy and his sister have been
affected by the war, which is engaging the attention of the European
nations. Beautiful dolls, which in times of peace are dressed as charming
debutantes, are now dressed in the garb of Red Cross nurses, refugees or
poor peasants, while the playthings which the boys have been accustomed
to are now relegated to the scrap heap and the most modern of fighting
machinery is taking their place. The upper photograph gives one an idea
of the modern war toy. It is an exact copy of a German 42-centimeter gun.
It was manufactured in Germany, and shoots blank cartridges, and like all
modern 42-centimeter guns, has a recoil arrangement. The lower photo-
graph shows a rapid-fire gun firing at a battleship.

terials they will make up their own
clothing. Furthermore the poor of
Belgium and Northern France can de-
vise an extraordinary amount of cloth-
ing out of a given piece of cloth and
can work in such materials to patch
up their own clothing. For this rea-
son we are anxious to secure piece
goods as far as possible, or, alternatively,
B. unworn, made-up clothing.

WORKROOMS ESTABLISHED IN ALL LEADING CITIES

"We have established workrooms in
all the leading Belgian cities. The one
in Brussels alone gives employment to
over 15,000 people. This clothing is
all distributed free through our local
communal committees, after they have
made a careful investigation of the
necessities of each recipient. There are
today between 20,000 and 40,000 of the
poorest and best Belgian and French
people giving their whole services in
the volunteer conduct of these local
committees, endeavoring with the
greatest possible devotion and under
the greatest strain, to eke out to their
almost uselessness the meager supplies
which we are able to furnish.

"What we urgently need is new wool-
en clothes for women and girls and
boys, woolen and cotton materials for
babies' clothing, shawls, stockings, je-
seys, sweaters, blankets, boots and
shoes, underclothing, overcoats, petti-
coats, and suits of all descriptions,
and, in fact, every article in the gar-
ment of warm clothing.

"It seems to us that there must be
on the shelves of the stores and in the
houses of the United States a large
amount of remnant cloth materials and
new ready-made clothing which could
be contributed or could be purchased by
the various committees interested in
our work on terms of the great possi-
ble economy.

"It seems to me that with the gener-
osity of the American merchant and
manufacturer our local committee from
monies that may be subscribed to them
for this purpose can purchase such ma-
terials at far more advantageous rates

long indictment against Mrs. Pank-
hurst. In this indictment those at-
tending the meeting charge, in using
the name of the Woman's Social and
Political Union for political purposes,
Mrs. Pankhurst was acting without
authority. "The consent of the mem-
bers having not been asked or ob-
tained." They blamed her for fail-
ing to utilize the large organization for
some form of national service during
the war, which service is said to be
in accordance with the desire of an
overwhelming majority of the mem-
bers. The disregard which, coupled
with Mrs. Pankhurst's complete con-
trol of funds and missionary work, has
been "virtually to disband and break
up the W. S. P. U. as a national or-
ganization."

They accuse her of usurping author-
ity and expelling members who dif-
fered with her, removal from mem-
bership of almost all the women "pos-
sessed of influence and independence
of thought."

They declare that, while controlling
funds, she has shown callous indiffer-
ence to the sufferings of destitute
members.

Finally, they call upon Mrs. Pank-
hurst to issue immediately a state-
ment showing how the funds have
been expended since the war began.
They ask Christabel Pankhurst, her
daughter, to resign or explain her
continued absence from the country.

DRINK HOT WATER BEFORE BREAKFAST

Says you really feel clean, sweet
and fresh inside, and
are seldom ill.

If you are accustomed to wake up
with a coated tongue, foul breath or
dull, dizzy headache, or if your
meals sour and turn into gas and acids,
you have a real surprise awaiting you.
To-morrow morning, immediately
upon arising, drink a glass of hot
water with a teaspoonful of limestone
phosphate in it. This is intended to
first neutralize and then wash out of
your stomach, liver, kidneys and thirty
feet of intestines all the indigestible
waste, poisons, sour bile and toxins,
thus cleansing, sweetening and purify-
ing the entire alimentary canal.

Those subject to sick headaches,
backache, bilious attacks, constipation
or any form of stomach trouble, are
urged to get a quarter pound of lime-
stone phosphate from the drug store
and begin enjoying this morning in-
side-bath. It is said that men and
women who try this become enthusi-
astic and keep it up daily. It is a
splendid health measure, for it is more
important to keep clean and pure on
the inside than on the outside, because
the skin pores do not absorb impurities
into the blood, causing disease, while
the bowel pores do.

The principle of bathing inside is
not new, as millions of people practice
it. Just as hot water and soap cleanse,
purify and freshen the skin, so hot
water and a teaspoonful of limestone
phosphate act on the stomach, liver,
kidneys and bowels. Limestone phos-
phate is an inexpensive white powder
and almost tasteless.

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tante parties and other social events in town and at the
fashionable winter resorts.

The very newest weaves in the most fashionable shades
for ultra-smart Dancing Frocks, Wonderful Gowns and Ex-
quisite Wraps.

Velvet Pompadour Satin, \$7.85 yd.

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is wonderful.

Printed Warp Taffeta, \$3.00 yard.

40 inches wide, very striking design.

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35 inches wide, in beautiful floral
designs.

Striped Pekin Taffetas, \$1.50 yd.

36 inches wide, in both self color and
contrasting stripes.

Satin Taffeta Changeant, \$1.50 yd.

35 inches wide, lovely evening tints,
with white warps giving them a hand-
some shimmer effect. These must be
seen under electric lights to get the
best results.

Soie de Luxe, \$1.50 yard.

35 inches wide, soft and lustrous.

Taffeta Plaids, \$1.50 yard.

35 inches wide, in beautiful light col-
or combinations.

Chiffon Taffeta, \$1.50 yard.

35 inches wide, extra quality and
finish, in beautiful evening tints.

Chiffon Taffeta, \$1.00 yard.

35 inches wide, all pure silk, in love-
ly shades for evening wear.

Crepe de Chine, \$1.50 yard.

40 inches wide, very superior qual-
ity, in evening tints.

Satin Charmeuse, \$1.50 yard.

40 inches wide and very lustrous.

Crepe de Chine, \$1.00 yard.

40 inches wide, all pure silk, in a
full range of evening shades.

Silk Dept.—First Floor.

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are incomparable. It's THE SUITS them-
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moment you see them, or slip one or two of
them on!

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shades; and in a variety of models that seem
endless.

All SIZES, for the miss of 16 to 20 years,
up to women's sizes, 34 to 44 bust.

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doubt that our TWENTY-FIVE-DOLLAR
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Nearly five hundred
—mostly samples—
forming quite the larg-
est assortment of
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shown at one price.

Blouses for evening
or street wear—white,
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also shades to match
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Millinery Novelties!

A change in the demand for certain styles in
HATS, as well as materials, is always noted at
this time of the year.

Black Draped Silk Velvet
Turbans Are "in Season"
RIGHT NOW

and they are VERY POPULAR! We have just opened
up a new shipment of these Hats, and have placed
them on sale at \$1.98 to \$1.98 each.

Note This, on Sale Monday Special:
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Hats, exceptional value; at \$1.98

Second Floor.



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Dainty Little Frocks That Are Smart & Fast at

\$15, \$18.50, \$19.75

ALL THE LIGHT EVENING SHADES.

Impossible, here, to picture the smart style that's
in these frocks. SEE THEM and you'll then admit that
they're the most attractive you've seen at such small
prices.

Every woman or miss needs a frock or two of this
character for the many social events to come this winter
—WHY NOT ONE OF THESE?

Second Floor.

Could One Imagine Smarter

COATS

Than Those in These Two Special Lots at

\$15.00 and \$19.75

Broadcloths, Zibeline, Cheviot and Boucle Coats,
and several of worsted novelty materials—black, navy,
brown, green and taupe are the colors.

Very stylish models; some button high up at the
neck, and are fur trimmed. All have full flare backs.
Drop in Monday and see them.

Second Floor.